

Schooner Western Union



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Key West Bight Management District Board 510 Greene Street Key West, FL 33040

To: KWBB BOD

Re: 2016-03 KWBB / schooner Western Union Restoration Progress Report

- **A.** Governor Scott approved the FL DOS Historic Grant Preservation budget including the \$500,000 schooner Western Union grant.
 - a. This triggers the City of Key West (KWBB) \$250,000 matching funds.
 - **b.** The FL DOS grant protocol provides expenditure oversight of both the \$500k state grant and the CKW \$250k matching funds.
 - **c.** The now approved state grant funds become available for the restoration work July 1, 2016.
- **B.** On March 29 the SWUPS BOD submitted a \$27,000 grant advance funding request to the FL DOS Historic Grant Program to perform needed repairs to safely transit the vessel from Key West to the Tarpon Springs boatyard.
 - a. Funds needed prior to July 1 must be approved by the FL DOS.
 - **b.** The advance funds are sourced from the \$250k matching proceeds.
 - **c.** An answer from FL DOS concerning the advance funding request is anticipated within a couple of days.
- **C.** The SWU Captain & BOD approved a \$27k list of items and repairs that must first be replaced or repaired to safely motor the schooner from KW to the Tarpon Springs boatyard.
 - **a.** When necessary repairs are complete the schooner will perform a sea trial off of Key West -- when successfully completed the schooner will motor to Tarpon Springs once the Capt. approves a weather window.

On behalf of the board of directors,

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William M. Barry Chairman

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